

INTERIM REPORT
of the
ACTING MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
to the
GIPPING RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL
for the year 1941.

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Mr. Chairman, and Members of the Council,

Herewith an Interim Report for the year 1941.

Statistics.

The figures supplied by the Registrar-General are as follows:-

Population. Figures given for calculation of Death Rates give a working aggregate of 18,760; an increase of 140 on 1940.

Live Births.

(a) Figures for calculating Birth Rates	Total	Male	Female.
Legitimate Births	280	120	160
Illegitimate Births	18	10	8

(b) Figures for calculating Infantile Mortality Rates	Total	Male	Female.
Legitimate Births	288	127	161
Illegitimate Births	18	10	8

Still Births.

	Total	Male	Female.
Legitimate	6	4	2
Illegitimate	1	1	0

This gives a Still Birth Rate of 22.3 per 1,000 total Births.
(England and Wales 0.51). (Live & Still).

Deaths.

Total	Male	Female.
234	127	107

This gives a crude Death Rate of 12.5 per 1,000 population.
(England and Wales 12.9).

Deaths from Puerperal Causes.

Rate per 1000 Total Births.

Puerperal Sepsis	Nil	Nil
Other Natural Causes	2	6.3

Death Rate of Infants under 1 year of age.

All Infants per 1000 Live Births.	39.2	(England & Wales 59)
Legitimate Infants per 1000 Legitimate Live Births	31.2	
Illegitimate Infants per 1000 illegitimate Live Births	166.6	

Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	40.
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	Nil.
Deaths from Whooping cough (all ages)	1.
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Nil.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (other than Tuberculosis) DURING 1941.

DISEASES.	Total notfd.	AGE GROUPS.												Adm. to Hosp.	Total Deaths.
		0-	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	10-	15-	20-	35-	45-	65up		
Scarlet Fever.	60	1		2	3	3	22	10	7	6	4	2	-	48	Nil
Diphtheria.	3								2	1				3	Nil
Puerperal Pyrexia.	9								1	7	1			9	2
Pneumonia.	25				1		1		2	4	6	6	4	1	10
Whooping Cough.	106	6	13	9	13	13	46	3	3					-	1
Measles.	577	11	25	43	44	47	274	98	19	13	1	2		-	Nil
Erysipelas.	10										3	7		-	Nil
Enteric Fever.	1						1							1	Nil
Cerebrospinal Fever.	6			1	1		1		1	1		1		6	1
Infantile Paralysis.	3	1		2										-	2
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.	1	1												-	Nil

During the year a beginning was made with the protection of children up to 15 years of age against diphtheria. The figures below give an analysis of the progress made.

	<u>Children under 5 yrs.</u>	<u>Over 5 years & under 15 years.</u>
Course completed.	589	2,233.

There will be a yearly drive to get the remaining unprotected children immunised, and the success of the first year's campaign may influence some of the waverers among the parents to get their children protected.

TUBERCULOSIS. The figures for the year 1941 are as below:-

Age Groups.	NEW CASES.				DEATHS.			
	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.		Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0-			1				1	
1-			1	1			1	
5-		1	2	1			1	
10-		1						
15-			2					
20-	2	2	2	1				
25-	3	1		1				
35-	2						1	
45-	3	1	1			1		
55-	1							
65up.		1						

Nine cases were removed from the Tuberculosis Register for the reasons assigned as under:-

	<u>Pulmonary.</u>		<u>Non-pulmonary.</u>		<u>Total.</u>	
	M.	F.	M.	F.		
Diagnosis not established.	1	2	-	-	3)
Removed to other Districts.	2	1	2	-	5)
Cured.	-	-	-	1	1)
Cases coming into the District from other areas were:-	1	1	2	1	5.	

All other Public Health matters are being held over for a post-war Survey Report.

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